Howard Happenings

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REMINDER DUES ARE DUE!!

If you have not paid, See Madge Earl at meeting or mail to:

Her at: 910 Warwick Dr Macon GA 31210 \$30.00 per person.

THURSDAY MARCH 22, 7:00PM BARBECUE — \$7.00

Call Karen Clifton by Monday to reserve your place 477-5340 or if you need to cancel a permanent reservation.

The February meeting was the usual and again very good fish-fry. I believe everyone got their fill of fish and hush puppies. We were entertained and informed by Macon's own Marty Willett. His enthusiastic and articulate presentation of Macon's beginnings and restoration of historic Fort Hawkins, made us want to become a part of the process. Many of those present ask questions and looked at his artifacts after the meeting.



Marty Willett showing visuals. And artifacts.

Marty showing program chair Tena Roberts some artifacts.



Our guest speaker urged all to become a part of the rebuilding process by joining 'Friends of Fort Hawkins' or just make a donation to the effort. Membership levels include: Student \$10; Individual, \$25; Family \$50; Corporate, \$300-\$3000; Non-Profit, \$250-\$1000. For more info: write to The Community Foundation of Central GA, 277 MLK Blvd, Macon GA 31201

March Program

For March we look forward to our speaker Louise Staman, who will give us 'A Visit with Rebecca Lattimer Felton, the first woman to serve in the US Senate. Author Staman will review Felton in her book "Loosening Corsets" Rebecca spent most of her life (1835-1930), with her husband's encouragement, working as a tireless crusader for equal rights for all people. She received criticism for stepping out of the "customs of southern womanhood." She became the first woman senator of the US at age 87. A true story, well documented by author Stamen. She will have copies of the book for those who wish to purchase. And one for children, "Rupert and the Bag." (Good for art lovers of all ages!)



Notes of interest

- Bebe Cook is moving to Florida. Her wit / wisdon and presence at meeting will be missed.
- John Vesquez has resigned and Harry Rankin replaces him on the board of trustees.
- Fred Koester won the birthday prize of \$10
- Ralph Oppy won the phone prize of \$10
- Cecil Daniels delivered personal items to the Ronald McDonald house, donated by Dr. Carolyn Bradley. Anyone can take items or bring them to the meeting. If you visit the House, ring the doorbell, then identify yourself via way of the voice intercom. Someone will greet you at the door.
- Any member may suggest items of interest just call (477-6790) or email Cecil at cdan@bellsouth.net.

Our Concerns

2 Items received too late last month

- Ramona Hunnicutt fell and broke her arm in two places. She was in hopes of attending the meeting in Feb.
- Rita Huhn has "graduated" from rehab center in virginia where she went after breaking her hip several weeks ago, and is now at her daughter's in Newnan. She's walking carefully these days, but she is walking which is remarkable for a 93 year old lady. (Monie)
- Sec. Karen tells me that Doris Hedgepath is in the hospital with multiple problems.
- Ann Culverhouse is in an assisted living facility—Bolingreen I believe Lovick told me.
- Your editor made an unscheduled visit to MCCG for two nights Feb. 28-Mar. 1. Doing fine now.
- Let me know if I missed any concern we need to know about. CD

Please buy phone tickets at the meeting 4 for \$1.00
Lucky winner receives \$10.00

Macon History

Blockhouse Replica

Have you toured the blockhouse replica that stands at the original site? It was built through the efforts of the Macon Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution and with help from Works Progress Administration in 1938. It is opened to the public.

The Original Fort

Was begun in 1806 ... under the supervision of Benjamin Hawkins, US Indian Agent. The site overlooks the mounds at Ocmulgee National Monument and the historic City of Macon, GA. Hawkins was Indian Agent for areas south of the Ohio River. He served meritoriously in this capacity for 30 years. He eventually retired in the Middle Georgia area where he stayed active in Native American affairs.

Fort Hawkins was important for security during the early years of the 19th century, giving a safe atmosphere to Newtown which later became Macon GA.

March Birthdays

Cindy Buice Lisa Bullard
Lovick Culverhouse Diane Gambrell
Carol Groover Monroe Hill
Diane Melvin Jim Messer
Louise Morgan Virginia Preston
Joyce Rankin

Lucky winner receives \$10.00. Must be present to win!

March Food Committee

Chm: Eloise & Bill Johansen 477-3680 Edith Brice; Jean & Ed Corson Betty & Herman Crossan;

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